# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# DEFENCE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:647
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SETTING UP MILITARY STATION IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a)whether the Western Command Headquarter (Chandimandir) has requested Government of Himachal Pradesh to allot 790 acres of land in one pocket in Una for setting up Military Station;

(b)if so, whether the Government of Himachal Pradesh has accorded its approval to assign the aforesaid land; and

(c)if so, the details thereof and the time by which a decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

## Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a)Himachal Pradesh Government had indicated its willingness to offer land in Una to the Army in two pockets separated by astrip of land. The Army Authorities while accepting the offer, in principle, for locating their units and establishments, requested the State Government to offer land in one pocket, keeping in view the security considerations. The State Government has, therefore, been requested to confirm the availability of land in one pocket as well as to bear the cost of infrastructural development.

(b) & (c): The Army authorities are considering the suitability of the land suggested by the State Government.